Record Nr. UNINA9910372758703321 Autore Anderson Ben Titolo Cities, Mountains and Being Modern in fin-de-siècle England and Germany / / by Ben Anderson Pubbl/distr/stampa London:,: Palgrave Macmillan UK:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan,, 2020 **ISBN** 1-137-54000-1 Edizione [1st ed. 2020.] 1 online resource (308 pages) Descrizione fisica 796.522 Disciplina Soggetti Civilization—History Great Britain—History Europe, Central—History Cities and towns—History **Cultural History** History of Britain and Ireland History of Germany and Central Europe **Urban History Great Britain Civilization** Germany Civilization Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes index. Note generali 1. Introduction: Being Modern at the fin-de-siècle -- 2. Mountaineers Nota di contenuto in the City -- 3. Mountaineers against the City -- 4. Constructing the Alps -- 5. Time -- 6. Risk and Danger -- 7. Beyond the Nation -- 8. The Indoors in the Outdoors -- 9. Conclusion -- . Sommario/riassunto This book is the first transnational history of rambling and mountaineering. Focussing on the critical turn-of-the-century era, it offers new insights into alpine development, attitudes to danger, cultures of time, internationalism and domesticity in the outdoors. It charts an emerging group of mass tourist activities, and argues that these thousands of walkers and climbers can only be understood within

the context of the urban cultures from which most of them came. In doing so, it offers a fresh perspective on the relationship of alpinists

and countryside enthusiasts to the modern world. Instead of an escape from or rejection of modernity, it finds that upland trampers and climbers contested what it meant to be modern, used those modern identities to make political claims on rural space and rural people, and sought to define what a more modern future society should be like.